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To provide for an enumeration of family caregivers as part of the 2000
decennial census of population.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CANADY of Florida (for himself, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. OLVER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. EVANS, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. FOLEY, Mrs. LOWEY, and Mr. FARR of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight

A BILL

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of the 2000 decennial census of population.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Family Caregiver Enu-
5 meration Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. ENUMERATION OF FAMILY CAREGIVERS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Commerce shall
8 take appropriate measures to ensure that an enumeration

1 of family caregivers shall be taken as part of the 2000
2 decennial census of population.

3 (b) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

4 (1) FAMILY CAREGIVER.—The term “family
5 caregiver” means a caregiver who is the spouse of
6 the care recipient or whose relationship to the care
7 recipient is as described in any of paragraphs (1)
8 through (9) of section 152(a) of the Internal Reve-
9 nue Code of 1986 (applied, for purposes of this
10 paragraph, by substituting “care recipient” for “tax-
11 payer” each place it appears).

12 (2) CAREGIVER.—The term “caregiver” means
13 an individual who, without financial compensation,
14 regularly assists a care recipient in carrying out 1
15 or more activities or instrumental activities of daily
16 living.

17 (3) CARE RECIPIENT.—The term “care recipi-
18 ent” means an individual (of any age) who requires
19 substantial assistance from another individual in
20 carrying out 1 or more activities or instrumental ac-
21 tivities of daily living due to a physical or mental
22 condition or impairment which has lasted or is ex-
23 pected to last longer than 3 months, or a terminal
24 condition.

1 (4) ACTIVITY OF DAILY LIVING.—The term “ac-
2 tivity of daily living” includes breathing, bathing,
3 dressing, eating, transferring, and toileting.

4 (5) INSTRUMENTAL ACTIVITY OF DAILY LIV-
5 ING.—The term “instrumental activity of daily liv-
6 ing” means shopping for personal items, obtaining
7 and taking medication, managing money, preparing
8 meals, using the telephone, performing housework,
9 and any other measure of living independently or
10 functioning at a level commensurate with one’s age.

11 (6) CENSUS OF POPULATION.—The term “cen-
12 sus of population” has the meaning given such term
13 by section 141(g) of title 13, United States Code.

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